GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Registration and Stamps – Surprise check conducted on the Office of District Registrar (O.B), Nellore on 20/21.04.2005 - Departmental action initiated against Sri P.Rama Krishna, formerly Sub Registrar-II, Office of R.O (O.B), Nellore – Case entrusted to Commissioner of Inquiries – Inquiry report communicated – Explanation received – Imposed the penalty of withholding one annual grade increment with cumulative effect – Representation filed – Considered – Punishment set aside and exonerated - Orders - issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.1000 Dated: 26-09-2017
Read the following :-

1. From the D.G,ACB,Hyd.,Lr.No.8/DES-NNL/2005, dt:21.07.2005.
2. Charge Memo No.17783/Vig.VI (1)/2005-4, dated: 02.06.2007.
3. G.O.Ms.No.728, Rev (Vig.VI) Department, dated:02.06.2007.
4. Representation of Sri P.Rama Krishna, formerly S.R-II, O/o.R.O (O.B), Nellore, dated: 11.07.2007.
5. G.O.Rt.No.1936, Revenue (Vig.VI) Department, dt:15.10.2008.
6. From COI, D.O.Lr.No.1962/COI-CK/A1/2009, dt:12.01.2011.
7. Govt. Memo.No.17783/Vig.VI (1)/2005-20, dated:27.03.2014.
8. Representation of Sri P.Rama Krishna, formerly S.R-II, O/o.R.O (O.B), Nellore, dated: 22.04.2014.
9. Govt. Lr.No.17783/Vig.VI(1)/2005, Rev (Vig-II) Dept, dt.31.5.2014.
10. From APPSC, Lr.No.854/RT/2/2014, dt.17.7.2014.
11. G.O.Rt.No.715, Revenue (Vigilance-II) Dept., dated:28-07-2014.
12. Representation of Sri P.Rama Krishna, formerly S.R-II, O/o. R.O (O.B), Nellore.
13. Govt.Lr.No.17783/Vig.VI(1)/2005-41, Rev (Vig-II) Dept, dt.17-07-2017.
14. From the APPSC, Hyd., Lr.No.622/DC&C/1/2017, dt.17-08-2017.

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ORDER:

Whereas it was brought to the notice of the Government, vide reference 1st read above, that on credible information that the staff working in the Office of District Registrar (O.B), Nellore are indulging in corrupt practices, the Anti Corruption Bureau officials conducted surprise check over the said office on 20/21-04-2005 and found certain irregularities and recommended to initiate disciplinary action against the erring officials. Sri P.Rama Krishna, formerly Sub Registrar-II, Office of R.O (O.B), Nellore is one of the Charged Officers.

2. And Whereas the Government after careful examination of the matter have initiated Departmental action against all the charged officers. In respect of Sri P.Ramakrishna, former Joint Sub Registrar-II, Nellore charges were framed against him vide reference 3rd read above, for not declaring his personal cash in the cash declaration register since 11.1.2005; for not signing in the attendance register on the day of

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surprise check; for engaging private persons to collect illegal gratification from the public through document writers and also for engaging a private person to work in the office. The Charged Officer vide reference 4th read above has submitted his Written Statement of Defence denying the charges and as the same was not convincing, the case was entrusted to Commissioner of Inquiries to enquire into the charges, vide reference 5th read above.

3. The Commissioner of Inquiries, vide reference 6th read above has submitted the enquiry report, findings that in view of the contentions submitted by Sri P.Ramakrishna, former Joint Sub Registrar-II, Nellore, the charges framed against him be dropped. The Government after examining the enquiry report observed that Sri P.Rama Krishna, formerly Sub Registrar-II, Office of Registrar Office (O.B), Nellore had failed to declare his personnel cash in the cash declaration register, hence disagreed with the findings of the Inquiring Authority. Accordingly, the disagreement factors were communicated to the Charged Officer along with the Inquiring Authority report with a direction to submit his explanation, vide reference 7th read above. The Charged Officer has submitted representation vide reference 8th read above.

4. Government after examining the representation of the Charged Officer with the material available on record and after obtaining the concurrence of the Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission have imposed the penalty of withholding one annual grade increment with cumulative effect against Sri P.Rama Krishna, formerly Sub Registrar-II, Office of Registrar Office (O.B), Nellore, vide reference 11th read above.

5. Sri P.Rama Krishna, formerly Sub Registrar-II, Office of Registrar Office (Original Branch), Nellore in the reference 12th read above, has filed his representation against the above penalty, stating that at the time of surprise check, he was busy in preparation of revision of market values in Nellore Municipal Corporation and the same has been confirmed by the Commissioner, Nellore Municipal Corporation and that the Commissioner of Inquiries in its findings held the charges framed against him as not proved, therefore requested to drop further action against him.

6. Whereas the contention of the Charged Officer has been re-examined in detail with the material available on record and observed that Sri P.Rama Krishna, formerly Sub Registrar-II, Office of Registrar Office (Original Branch), Nellore was not present in the office at the time of surprise check. He was attending the work relating to revision of Market Value in Municipal Corporation, Nellore at that time and the same was certified by the Municipal Corporation Nellore. Further the Commissioner of Inquiries who enquired into matter held that the charge farmed against Sri P.Rama Krishna, formerly Sub Registrar-II, Office of Registrar Office (Original Branch), Nellore as not proved and recommended to drop further action against him.

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7. Government after careful examination of the matter have decided to set aside the penalty of withholding of one annual grade increments with cumulative effect imposed against the Charged Officer and exonerate him from the Charge. The Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission vide reference 14th read above has concurred with the proposal of the Government.

8. Accordingly, Government hereby set aside the penalty of withholding of one annual grade increment with cumulative effect imposed against Sri P.Rama Krishna, formerly Sub Registrar-II, Office of Registrar Office (Original Branch), Nellore vide reference 11th read above and exonerate him from the charge.

9. The Director and Inspector General, Registration and Stamps, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada / Deputy Inspector General, Registration and Stamps, Nellore, shall take necessary action in the matter accordingly under intimation to the Government.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Dr.D.SAMBASIVA RAO
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (CT, EXCISE, R&S)

To
The Individual. **(w.e)**
(through: the Deputy Inspector General, Registration and Stamps, Nellore)
The Director and Inspector General, Registration and Stamps, Andhra Pradesh, Eedupugallu, Vijayawada.
The Deputy Inspector General, Registration and Stamps, Nellore.
Copy to:
The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner, AP Vigilance Commission, Secretariat Building No.5, Velagapudi.
The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, PN Bus Station, NTR Administrative Block, Vijayawada.
The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission, Hyderabad.
The Revenue (Reg.I) Department.
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SECTION OFFICER